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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Box Patent Application Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows.

## In the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 5, with the following paragraph:

This is a continuation of U.S. application Serial No. 09/316,229, filed May 21, 1999, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. application Serial No.09/095,221, filed June 10, 1998.